



Hamilton County Coroner

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ROBERT MUKES

CC16-04238

OPINION

Diagnoses:

- I. Starvation of undetermined etiology:
 - A. Multiple alcohol bottles and no food or running water noted in apartment
 - B. Cachexia (body mass index 15.7 kilograms per meter squared)
 - C. Abundant loose skin noted on torso and extremities
 - D. No vitreous humor available for electrolyte analysis due to putrefaction
 - E. No history or gross evidence of significant natural disease
 - F. No evidence of injury or intoxication
 - G. See records from the Cincinnati Fire Department and the Cincinnati Police Department for additional details.
- II. Possible hypothermia:
 - A. History of recently moving back into his own apartment, which appeared to be without electricity at time of scene investigation
 - B. History of last having been seen alive 1 week prior to being found dead
 - C. History of having been found dead, supine, mostly on top of bed, clad in boxer shorts only, with feet on floor
 - D. Recorded environmental temperatures for the previous week were as low as 14 degrees Fahrenheit.
- III. No records of this decedent found after inquiries via OARRS, Epic/Mercy or at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Brief, old record found from University Hospital with no description of natural disease and no weight or height recorded in notes.

Cause of Death:

Starvation of undetermined etiology.

Contributing Cause of Death:

Possible hypothermia.

Manner of Death:

Accident (exposed to cold temperatures inside apartment without electricity).



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TOXICOLOGY REPORT

SUBJECT NAME(S): Mukes, Robert
SUBMITTING AGENCY: CPD, Central Business Section

FILE #: CC16-04238
DATE REPORTED: 01/09/2017

RESULTS:

Headspace Gas Chromatography:

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Specimen</u>	<u>Results</u>	<u>Concentration</u>
1-1	Peripheral blood - A	Ethyl Alcohol	Negative

Immunoassay Screen (ELISA) **Presumptive:**

ELISA Screen: Amphetamine, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Cannabinoids, Carisoprodol, Cocaine/Metabolites, Fentanyl, Methadone, Methamphetamine, Opiates, Oxycodone, Tramadol, Tricyclic Antidepressants, Zolpidem.

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Specimen</u>	<u>Results</u>	<u>Concentration</u>
1-2	Peripheral blood - B	Negative	

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